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MANY SOUTHWICK CITIZENS express their concern over the bike track proposal for the center of town at a meeting of the Board of Selectmen last week. Here, Arthur Dern (center), spokesman for the group, notes several objections, including non-conformity with current by-laws. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

Selectmen, Burke Seek Bike Solution

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: Selectmen told about a dozen concerned residents Wednesday that the board was working with Town Counsel John Burke for a solution to the question of a recent Planning Board decision to allow construction of a bicycle race track in the center of town.

Spokesman for the group, Arthur Dern of Coes Hill Rd., an abutter of the proposed track, cited several objections against the track, including dangerous location and nuisance and liability factors for neighbors. Dern said he felt the Planning Board not only overlooked the zoning by-law prohibiting all race tracks except those under the jurisdiction of the school department, but they also overlooked the opinions of residents in opposition. He charged the planners' action as being "particularly offensive, without regard to the town."

Dern noted that an earlier town counsel opinion against the track was ignored by the Planning Board, but still the board had the "affront to say this use was in conformity with the town by-laws." He added that with two race tracks operating, Southwick would be open to the development of horse and dog tracks, noting a future owner of the 9-acre College Highway site might wish to race motorcycles. He charged that planners did not have the safety of participants in mind, only the commercial ends.

William Fearn, also of Coes Hill Road, expressed disappointment that residents attend hearings, make valid objections and then are overlooked in boards' decisions.

Selectmen Chairwoman Vivian Brown, noting agreement with those in opposition, felt the Planning Board had not done enough research into the problem, especially into the proposed location.

Mrs. Brown said she did not object to the idea of bicycle racing locally but felt the location, with access at the crest of a hill onto a main roadway, would present a dangerous situation. At an earlier hearing she had suggested the Planning Board consider changing the by-law to allow for commercial recreational development with restrictions.

Special Meeting Approves Items

By Cheryl Rutz

Suffield: All items proposed by the Board of Selectmen were approved at a special town meeting Wednesday night which was attended by 35 people.

Unanimous approval was given for the board "to ratify and execute an intermunicipal agreement" between Southwick and Suffield to clean up Congamond Lakes.

The Congamond Lakes Restoration Committee (CLRC), formed by residents of Southwick and Suffield, is concentrating on watershed management and in-lake restoration techniques for Congamond, upon the recommendation of selectmen.

Dennis Kreps of Newgate Road questioned whether entering into this agreement with Southwick would commit Suffield financially.

Jack Scully of Southwick, chairman of the CLRC, explained that under the intermunicipal agreement, Suffield is only being asked to provide "in-kind services" for the project. In the event that there is a weed-harvesting program organized for the lakes, Scully said that the use of Suffield's highway trucks would be needed to haul weeds away.

Citizens unanimously voted to turn over three separate tracts of town-owned land to the highest bidders at an auction held on April 16th. The vote followed little discussion as to the actual location of the properties and some question as to when and where the properties had been advertised for sale.

"It's about time we turned these properties over so the town can gain some tax benefits from them," commented Kreps.

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Custodial Services Renewed By Board

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: Although the School Committee Tuesday renewed its custodial services contract for a second year, the problems of supervision of the custodial work and efficient maintenance procedures are still high priorities.

The committee voted to retain Regional Cleaning Services of Westfield for \$48,266.28 a year for work at Powder Mill School and the high school. Dennis Kennedy of Regional Cleaning told the board he will have a road supervisor employed locally before school opens in September.

Kennedy said this person would check his workers, basically on a daily basis but at the least three times weekly. Kennedy also makes periodic checks at the schools. He said he would have no objection to someone from the School Department also inspecting the work of his employees.

School Committeeman Edward Pepe felt the responsibility of checking the work should be with the owners of the building. The committee also agreed that some provision for school personnel to do checking would be considered for next year.

In a further effort to increase the efficiency of school maintenance, Pepe proposed a work order system for department personnel. Pepe said the buildings "are beginning to appear unkempt. Either we have been asking too much of the staff we have or we are not utilizing them efficiently."

As a temporary experiment, Pepe proposed that head custodians and principals present work orders for items they need taken care of. These, in turn, would be given to the head maintenance man or business manager Kenneth Johnson, who would decide what had to be done and how.

By keeping a record of the requests and completed jobs, Pepe said a pattern should develop thus showing the committee how to proceed further with its maintenance staff and requests.

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CONNECTICUT SECRETARY OF STATE Julia Tashjian is being welcomed by Suffield First Selectman Ronald Birmingham at a reception in her honor last Wednesday following a talk on youth involvement in the election process at Suffield Academy. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

Sec. of State Speaks In Suffield

By Joe Wojtas

Suffield: Secretary of State Julia Tashjian spoke to Suffield Academy students Wednesday telling them that "This nation, this state, indeed, this very community is replete with apathy - especially among the young."

The Secretary's speech to 200 students gathered in the Second Baptist Church was part of her continuing policy to encourage young people to use their right to vote and to become involved in politics.

Ms. Tashjian warned students that as we enter the 21st century, global problems won't be somewhere else but "They will be at our very doorstep, at your doorstep."

She urged students to read the news to become familiar with local issues and to work on the grassroots level by going to town meetings and hearings and speaking out.

Becoming involved and concerned is the difference between a resident and a citizen, according to the Secretary.

In describing her job, the Secretary said her most important responsibility was as elections commissioner. She called the right to vote a "powerful force. It's the power, the voice, the influence, of, for and by the people. If only they would use it," she added.

She said an attitude of "who cares" has made American elections a "spectator sport" where only 35% of eligible voters participate in Congressional elections.

She compared this small percentage to France where 90% of the people vote and to countries where their privilege to vote "rests on very thin ice."

To illustrate the importance of one single vote, the Secretary gave examples of close elections throughout history where one vote "changed the course of events" and "affected a nation."

She praised Connecticut lawmakers as "good, hard-working, decent people who have given this state a reputation for innovative, progressive laws" and they have done this without the involvement of many of the people they represent, she claimed.

"Imagine what could be accomplished with some active support, participation and awareness," she suggested.

Following her speech at the academy, the Secretary was greeted at a small reception at Suffield Town Hall by approximately 20 townspeople and local officials.

According to Paul Koscak, a press aide for the Secretary, she had hoped to speak to Suffield High School students as well but was unable to do so because of the school's scheduling problems at the end of the school year.

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Although both administrators and committee members felt there could be a problem with the paper-work, the committee agreed to follow this procedure for six months.

The committee also voted to allow Johnson to ask for bids for a dust collection system for the high school shop classroom. Johnson told the board a workable system would cost a maximum of \$7,200 plus \$1,000 for pipes. This is about \$2,400 more than is allowed in the budget.

Johnson said the cost of the pipes is a safe estimate. They would be installed with the assistance of the two industrial arts teachers, he noted. He said the bids for the actual equipment could come in lower than the \$7,200.

The business manager noted that if bids did not come in low enough, the School Committee could ask the Finance Committee for the additional funds or wait until next year to appropriate the additional funds. Johnson also told the committee that less expensive dust collection systems are available but they do not reclaim building heat and would be too costly to operate.

The committee voted to purchase 30 fluorescent light fixtures for the Powdermill School corridors for \$32.50 each. The fixtures will be installed by the local maintenance crew. The committee also plans to paint either the lockers or walls of the corridors in an effort to brighten the hallways.

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POWDER MILL ROAD:

Southwick Recreation Center

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SHELDON ROAD:

Agway

MOUNTAIN ROAD:

Ken's Hardware Store
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Mark's Drug

Hair Fashions

Suffield Inn

VILLAGE SHOPS:

Doghouse Cafe
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Suffield Pharmacy

Rep. Fahrbach Asks State To Consider Airport Dumping

Suffield: Rep. Ruth Fahrbach, R-61st District (East Granby, Suffield, Windsor), said today she has written to top state officials asking that Bradley International Airport be added to a list of dump sites now receiving high-priority attention by the state Department of Environmental Protection.

Rep. Fahrbach based her request on the fact that Bradley Airport uses the existing well water system for meeting their water needs, that recent private studies of water have revealed a contamination problem in the Bradley Airport area, and that the General Assembly is presently considering legislation which would allow a private water company to manage the well water system at Bradley Airport.

"Based on these important points, it is imperative that a decision be made to study the system and the quality of water there now. If the well water system is not useable, this would have a significant impact on pending legislation," she wrote in a letter to Stephen Hitchcock, an official with the Department of Environmental Protection.

Copies of the letter were also sent to DEP Commissioner Stanley Pac and state Department of Transportation Commissioner J. William Burns.

Setting For Antique Market

Suffield: The Hatheway barn and grounds will be the setting on Saturday, June 4, 1983 for the 12th annual antique market, sponsored by the Suffield Women's Club, and will take place from 9:30-4:00 p.m.

Forty-five dealers will have a wide assortment of items with china, glass, silver, pewter, brass, small wooden articles, furniture, tools, books and linens on display.

The show will be held rain or shine and the proceeds will benefit the scholarship fund and other donations.

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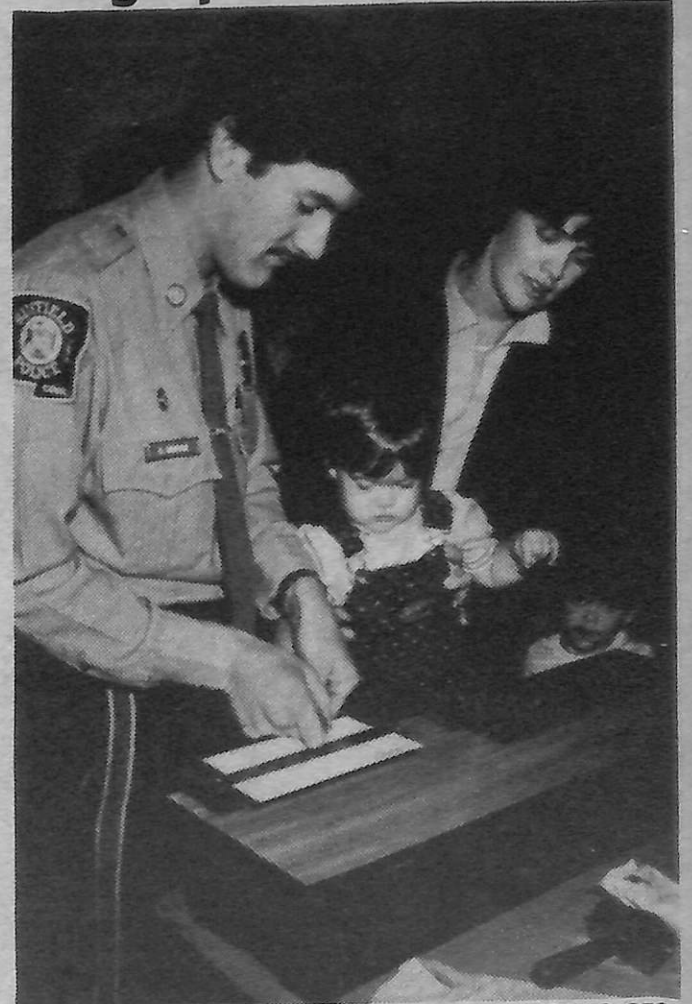
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Fingerprinting Session



AT THE SECOND OF TWO FINGERPRINTING SESSIONS offered in coordination between the Suffield Jaycee Women, the Suffield Police Dept. and the Sentry Security Agency, Officer David Bourque takes prints of one year-old Susan Wilson, as her mother, Robin, and three year-old Jennifer look on. The project, done on a volunteer basis and free of charge, was a big success with 425 children being fingerprinted. The printed cards are to be kept by parents for any future identifying purposes. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

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In other business at the meeting, the town approved an ordinance allowing constables to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Prior to this, constables have been elected by townspeople in a regular election.

Town Attorney Charles Alfano stated that the ordinance, which is authorized by the Connecticut General Statutes, does not require election of con-

stable. He explained that they can be appointed merely by changing the language of the ordinance.

Second Selectman Donald Robinson remarked that constables are now put on the ticket after three candidates are chosen from each political party. He noted that the parties will still be nominating constables the same way, and the names will be given to the Board of Selectmen for appointment.

The new ordinance states that six constables shall be appointed by selectmen on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November. The constables will hold office for two-year terms and will have no criminal jurisdiction, according to the ordinance.

This change was proposed to allow room on the ballot for names of candidates to the town's Zoning and Planning Commission, heretofore appointed positions. A bill recommending that ZPC commissioners be elected has just passed the Connecticut House of Representatives and awaits approval by the Senate.

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Lakeview Inn License Discussed

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: Selectmen have taken under advisement the request of Michael and Katherine Kope of West Suffield to transfer the full liquor license at Lakeview Inn from present owner-operator John Olko to Innvest Inc. Under the new ownership, Lawrence Pinkham of Lakeview St. would manage the bar, according to the proponents.

Kope says he plans to renovate the two-story building and feature country-western music. Mrs. Kope would operate a restaurant facility, he said.

Selectman Chairwoman Vivian Brown explained to the new owner the several problems the town has had with the establishment, noting her board finally had to declare the inn a nuisance and order it closed at 11 p.m. each evening. She said complaints from neighbors concerned noise of both the club and its patrons and disruptive activities in the parking lot.

Mrs. Brown said the early closing seems to have alleviated the situation but "I would not be bashful to recommend similar action or even suspension of the license if the situation should arise again." Kope said he will hire police if the conditions call for such action.

There were no objectors at the Wednesday hearing. Selectmen expect to have a decision by May 25. If the license is approved, Kope plans to be in operation for Memorial Day weekend.

In other business, selectmen plan to appoint two Suffield residents to the Congamond Lakes Restoration Committee. Suffield Selectmen recommended Howard O. Lloyd of East St. and Barry N. Sisk of Spruce Street. Lloyd, as third selectman and Sisk, an alternate on the

Conservation Commission, both have a close working relationship with Suffield's government and Conservation Consultant Dr. Robert Kortmann, according to Selectmen. They will serve on the local committee with two other residents, Alan White of Mountain Road and Herb Ritter, a lake shore resident.

The restoration committee is presently working with state and Southwick funds to improve the water quality of the lakes through chemical treatment of algae and weed harvesting. In accordance with state funding specifications, Suffield has agreed to cooperate in the project. Although Suffield will not make a direct financial contribution, the town has offered the services of its various commissions, the Highway Department and of Dr. Kortmann. Suffield has also agreed to cooperate in watershed management techniques.

The committee has also been asked to make a recommendation to the Conservation Commission concerning an acceptable level to maintain the lakes water.

Selectmen have also taken under advisement the resignation of their secretary Faye Prokop. Ms. Prokop stated in a letter to the board Wednesday night that she was submitting her resignation because of a conflict of personalities with "the newly-elected chairman of the board."

Mrs. Brown cited several alleged incidents of poor work procedures on the part of the 19 year-old secretary. Board member Alan Ferrigno suggested that selectmen take the matter under advisement "to allow for a cooling-off period."

"Future School" Comes To Suffield This Summer

Suffield: If you are currently in grade 3, 4 or 5 and interested in thinking and learning about the future, the Future School is for you!

Future School will take place Monday, June 27 through Friday, July 8, 1983 - Sessions I & II; and Monday, July 11 through Thursday, July 21, 1983 - Sessions III & IV. Morning sessions (I & III) will run from 9 a.m. to 12 noon; afternoon sessions (II & IV) will run from 1 to 4 p.m.

Future School will take place at Suffield High School. The cost is \$40.00 per session; additional children from the same family will be \$25.00 per session.

The staff will consist of Gale Lynch and Richard Foley, Spaulding faculty members and two teaching assistants.

One-half of each session will be devoted to beginning computer instruction and use. The remaining half will be spent exploring various aspects of the future. In order to provide one computer for each two students, **enrollments are strictly limited.** Registrations will be processed in the order that they are received.

Further information may be obtained from Gale Lynch at 668-7224 or Richard Foley at 668-7301. Applications must be in Spaulding School office by Friday, June 3rd.

Senior Center Work To Be Re-Bid

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: Selectmen with the agreement of Council on Aging Chairman Arthur Redfern, ordered Redfern to rewrite specifications properly and rebid for the necessary handicapped lavatory and access facilities at the Consolidated School during their May 18th meeting.

Redfern charged selectmen with not taking action to allow senior citizens to occupy the basement of the now-vacant facility. But, according to Selectman Alan Ferrigno, they were presented in a disorderly fashion.

He said that the specifications had not been presented to bidders properly and had never been approved by selectmen before being sent out.

Bids for installation of the facilities were listed at \$15,000 and \$18,000. The Southwick Senior Citizens' Club has donated \$10,000 for the work, because town officials said there was no money available in the budget to revamp the old school at this time.

Although Redfern said he had told the board the expected price range, both Selectmen Chairwoman Vivian Brown and Ferrigno said they were completely unaware of the higher estimate.

Mrs. Brown said the board had been led to believe, through Redfern and other seniors, that the cost of the facilities would be even lower than \$10,000. She said, "The town does not have the money to pay its employees; therefore, we do not have the funds for this project."

The Building Reuse Study Committee recommended the basement area with kitchen facilities for use of the town's senior citizens. In light of restricted revenue to the town, that committee felt offices could gradually move into the vacant building over a period of about 30 years.

As a practical suggestion, they felt part of the building should be leased or rented, thus providing revenue for the town and keeping the building from deteriorating in the interim.

Although the town did not have funds to revamp the building for the seniors, a suggestion that was made that the seniors could donate the cost of the necessary facilities to allow them to leave their Point Grove Road site and move into a newer site.

After much deliberation on the part of both seniors and government authorities, an agreement was reached in February.

The agreement stated that the seniors would donate "up to \$10,000" for renovation of the facilities. Because the building is town property, there are legal steps which must be followed to allow construction at the facility.

Work amounting to over \$2,000 must be sent out to bid by selectmen, and they must approve all action taken regarding work on the town-owned facility.

At the time, seniors were told the town did not have the money to put into any construction work at the closed school.

They were also told that the town was in the process of renting another part of the facility, which, if accomplished, would alleviate some of the heating costs there.

At the Wednesday meeting, about 20 senior citizens voiced not only their disappointment that construction work was at a standstill but that they were being given the basement rather than a first floor area with windows.

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ARTICLE 16. VOTED to amend Chapter VII, Section 2 of the Town By-Laws to read as follows:

An owner or keeper of a dog reclaiming an impounded dog shall pay into the town treasury an administrative fee of \$15.00 plus \$2.00 for each day the animal has been impounded. These charges are in addition to any fines levied. Any dog whose owner or keeper fails to claim said dog within ten (10) days from the day of impounding, shall be subject to the provisions set forth in Section 151A, Chapter 140 of the General Laws.

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The above by-law was approved by Attorney General Francis X. Bellotti on May 11, 1983. Any claim of invalidity by reason of any defect in the procedures of adoption or amendment may only be made within 90 days of posting or of the second publication of this article.

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Something To Think About

Richard L. Carmon
DIRECTOR

Should The Body Be Viewed?

Some people have strong views on this question and these should be respected. Others have no firm commitment one way or the other, and would answer such a question on the basis of circumstances. For these people, we would offer the following advice, based on many years of experience.

If the body can be made viewable, it should be viewed. It serves a number of very helpful and constructive purposes. In cases where the decedent has been living away from home, or confined to a distant medical institution, viewing can provide the confirmation that death has occurred.

It provides a way to recall the loved one as he or she should be remembered - free of the evidence of pain, wasting, or injury. Viewing is likewise considered therapeutic for people. It is especially helpful for a child who has experienced the death of one loved. Instead of relying on imagination, the child can begin to comprehend the real meaning of death.

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MRS. KEITH T. SKOWERA
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Sharon Waterman Weds Keith Skowera

Miss Sharon Elizabeth Waterman and Mr. Keith Theodore Skowera were married Saturday, May 7th in St. Thomas Church in West Springfield. Father Paul Bombardier officiated at the 12:30 p.m. double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Waterman of 83 College Highway, Southwick. Mr. and Mrs. Paul T. Skowera of 266 Morton St., West Springfield are the parents of the groom.

Mrs. Joel Handschuh of Florida attended her sister as matron of honor. Mr. Stephen Lynch of Westfield, friend of the groom, served as best man.

Miss Lori Skowera of West Springfield, sister of the groom was bridesmaid. Joseph Skowera of West Springfield, brother of the groom was usher as was Joel Handschuh of Florida, brother-in-law of the bride.

The bride's gown was organza all-over Chantilly lace with sweetheart neck, lace bodice trimmed with pearls, full length lace sleeves, and chapel-length train edged in lace. She wore a pearled chantilly lace cap with hand-rolled fingertip length veil. She carried a bouquet of white sweetheart roses and white carnations.

Following a reception at the Colosseum Banquet House in West Springfield the couple left on a wedding trip to St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands. They will live in Broadbrook, Conn.

Mrs. Skowera is a graduate of Southwick High School and Western New England College. She is employed as an accountant for E. Louis Raverta, Inc., C.P.A. in Springfield. Mr. Skowera is a graduate of West Springfield High School and Western New England College. He is a tax accountant for Aetna Life and Casualty of Hartford, Conn.

SUFFIELD CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Sponsored by Friends of the Kent Memorial Library)

Monday, May 23: Fire Drill, 7 p.m., Central Firestation; Prayer meeting, 8 p.m., Sacred Heart Church Hall. All are welcome.

Tuesday, May 24: AARP meeting and election of officers, 2 p.m., Sacred Heart Church; Rotary Club, 6 p.m., Suffield Inn; Boy Scout Troop 260, 7 p.m., St. Joseph's Church Hall; Spring Concert, 7:30 p.m., Suffield High School.

Wednesday, May 25: Child and Family Services Thrift Shop, 35 Mountain Rd., will be open Wed. & Thurs. 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. and Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.; Historical Society Annual Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall of Second Baptist Church; Recreation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall Annex; Republican Town Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Town Hall; Annual Budget Meeting, 8 p.m., Suffield High School; Board of Finance Meeting, following Budget Meeting; Suffield Grange 27, 8 p.m., East Street Firestation.

Thursday, May 26: Holy Name Society Bingo, 7:30 p.m., St. Joseph's Church Hall.

Friday, May 27 and Saturday, May 28: Suffield Players production of "Vanities" at Mapleton Hall. Curtain at 8 p.m. For tickets call 623-4483.

Familiar Voice In Players' Production

Suffield: Area commuters will likely hear a familiar voice in the Suffield Players' new production of the comedy, *Vanities*, currently being presented on Fridays and Saturdays (through May 28) at Mapleton Hall.

Diane Novak who can be heard five days a week giving traffic information on the radio is appearing in the play in the part of Joanne. Diane works for three Hartford area radio stations including WPOP. She also appeared in the highly successful *Something's Afoot*, with the Players in the role of Letti. When last seen on the Players' stage she was being swallowed by an unusually large ginger jar.

Besides Diane, Lisa Dieli Parker and 1983 C.T.A. award-winning actress, Kelly Seip appear in the satiric look at three young women who did it all and grew up "simples."

Tickets for *Vanities* can be reserved by calling (203) 623-4483. Seating is cabaret style. The audience is welcome to bring their own alcoholic beverages. Non alcoholic refreshments are sold at the house. Doors open at 7 and curtain is at 8.

Highlights Of Southwick Grange Activities

At the last regular meeting of Southwick Grange it was voted to donate \$1,000 to the Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of Southwick, Inc., \$500 for the "Hearing Ear Dog Program" at Bryant Hill Farm in Jefferson and \$100 to the Boy Scouts of America. It was also voted to plant geraniums in several of the traffic islands in town with Mary McLaughlin in charge.

The grange has accepted an invitation for members to march in the Memorial Day parade May 30 at 10 a.m. in town. Grange members will walk for the Crop Walk on Sunday, June 5.

Guests were present from Highland Grange of Huntington, Ludlow, West Springfield, Northboro and Avon, Conn.

The next regular meeting of Southwick Grange will be held May 24 at 8 p.m. The regular business meeting will be recessed at 8:30 p.m. for entertainment by the "Dance Slipper" of Southwick under the direction of Jackie Moccio.

Refreshments will be served by Ruth Connor, Ann and Newton Thompson, Nancy and Bob Johnson.

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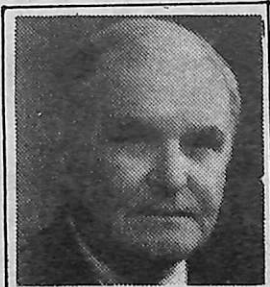
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DAR Threatened With Extinction

By Pat Barnes

Suffield: In June 1897, church bells rang out for half an hour before the meeting of the Sibbil Dwight Kent Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. It was Charter Day and the document, framed in wood taken from the house where Sibbil Kent was born, was to be displayed.

Interest ran so high that an extra train was run from Hartford for the event. All who were able were asked to send carriages to meet the guests arriving at the Suffield and Windsor Locks stations.

Those were the early days of the Suffield Chapter of the DAR. The group went on to grow and become involved in a variety of activities and projects in the following decades. They made garments for the soldiers in hospitals and camps during the Spanish-American War, identified the graves of Revolutionary soldiers in the old cemeteries and donated money for their upkeep. Later the chapter sponsored scholarships, became involved in war relief, and sent clothing and materials to Indian reservations and southern schools.

Despite such an active and colorful past and a membership that at one time was over 100 women, the Suffield Chapter is now struggling to stay afloat with a current membership of only 15. "We're hanging on by our teeth right now," states Frances Seymour, regent of the chapter for the past ten years. If the membership falls below twelve, she explains, the group will be forced to disband, surely a sorry end for one of the oldest chapters in Connecticut.

The DAR is a national organization of women who are able to trace their line back to an ancestor who fought in the Revolutionary War. Their objectives include historic preservation, promotion of education, and patriotic endeavor. There are over two hundred thousand members in thirty one chapters throughout the United States, England, France, Mexico, and Venezuela.

From a building complex covering a city block in Washington, D.C., the national headquarters oversees the work of a variety of committees, promoting the study of American government, assisting American Indians, recognizing and citing high school students with good citizenship awards, providing scholarships, supporting schools in the Appalachian area, and promoting the study of American history at the elementary school level.

Other committees are involved with the conservation and preservation of natural resources, the collection and indexing of genealogical material, and the promotion of flag etiquette. Still other committees work for wise energy use and oversee volunteer efforts in veterans medical centers.

Much of the work is done at the local chapter level. The Connecticut DAR comprises 57 chapters throughout the state. Among other activities and pro-



THE OLDEST ACTIVE MEMBER of the Sibbil Dwight Kent Chapter of the DAR, 92 year-old Talulah Creelman (seated) looks over the group's scrapbook with current Regent Edith Gibson. The group is looking for qualified members to keep from disbanding their chapter, one of the oldest in Connecticut. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

jects, they own and maintain the Governor Jonathan Trumbull House in Lebanon, Connecticut, and the Oliver Ellsworth Homestead in Windsor.

Unfortunately, membership in the Suffield chapter has declined in recent years and new blood is not being generated. New members are desperately needed to bring new life to the group. "It is difficult to be an active chapter with such a small membership list," explains Joan Tatro, a relatively new member. There are many more projects the group could be involved in if membership were increased, she feels.

Suffield's Sibbil Dwight Kent Chapter has a proud history of work and accomplishments, but it is now at a

turning point. It must either succeed in recruiting new members or face the very real possibility of losing its charter.

The DAR is an organization involved in worthwhile endeavors. Membership in the group fosters a commitment to one's heritage and one's country. Anyone interested in joining or who would desire information may contact the Suffield chapter's current new regent, Mrs. Edith Gibson at 668-7848, or Mrs. Frances Seymour at 668-7158.



By Mildred Talmadge

All About Nicknames

How do you feel about nicknames?

Some people are avidly against them and won't give even "Horatius" a break, though there is little to shorten or improve in that one. At least Artemas can be Art and no one be the wiser.

Some people are sadly shackled with their mother's romantic readings of myths, early novels, and of course, the Bible. The Good Book, however, has given us Adam, David, Ruth, Mary, James and John; all real, substantial nomenclatures. However, names like Aristarchus or Zurishaddi would be a little hard to grow up with.

My father was adamant about nicknames. My sister Elizabeth didn't become Betty until she went to college, though her given name is still used with our relatives. The unglamorous Liz never surfaced for her, but the supposedly most beautiful woman in the world is called Liz.

I am not quite as avid against nicknames, but every once in a while a distinctive, rather unusual one comes to my attention and I feel it is sad to have it desecrated. I have a friend, Roxanna, who tells me her friends call her "Roxie," her husband calls her "Rox," and her mother prefers "Annie." When I call her on the phone and ask, "Roxanna?" she knows instantly who is calling.

Then there are those who nickname even nicknames. A friend started calling her close buddy named Gertrude, "Trudy," but later shortened it to "True." It was well-chosen for when my friend went through a rough time, True was "true blue" in her support of her.

Many people don't like their parents' choices and nickname themselves. Some years ago I remember two daughters who did not like their names and asked to have them changed. Their father refused to do so legally, but assured them that whatever they chose he'd go along with. So "Elinor" became "Verbena," and "Hortense" (can you blame her?) became "Penelope." As long thereafter that I was in touch with them their father kept his promise.

Most people nickname their pets who have a pedigree. It would be rather awkward to call, "Bally Kelly Patsy Fagan of Boroughbury" and get any response, even though he is a champion pedigreed Irish wolfhound. Calling out, "Bozo" brings him quickly. Hunters particularly like sharp, one-syllable names like "Belle," "Bo," "Duke," all with hard consonants.

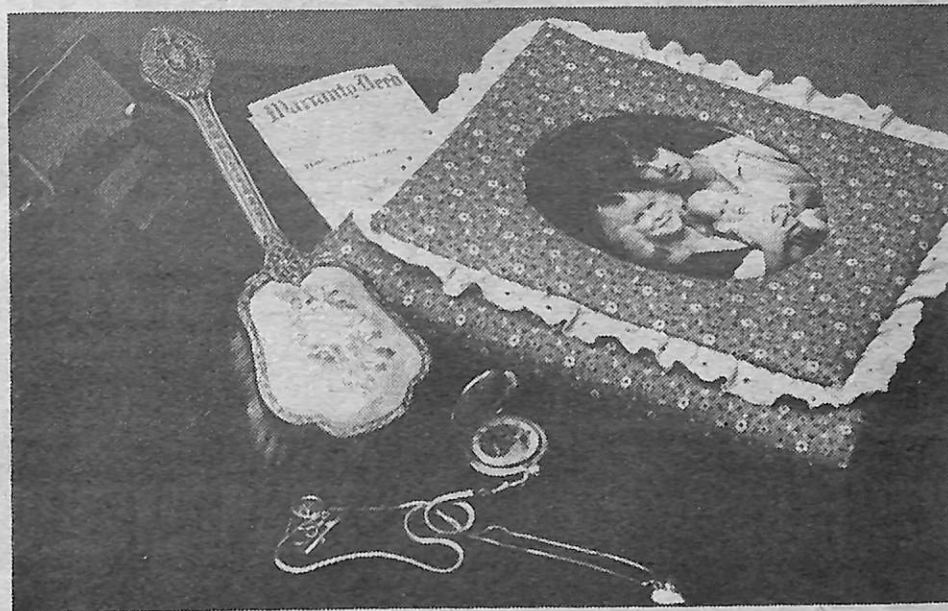
Getting back to people, however, of course there is "Junior" which sometimes becomes "Junie," and "Chip" for off-the-old-block, and "Tad" for a little child, but soon he grows up and it ceases to be appropriate. Then, too, there are the third and fourth generation heritage names. In these cases, sometimes the parents nickname the infant before he is born. Recently, I heard "Trey," French for three, and wondered how that child is going to like that when he/she gets to college.

Some people have a penchant for adding an 'ie' or 'y' to any name, like Ruthie, for instance. But there are a few names which seem to defy any change. Mary is one.

It isn't difficult to get convulsed with laughter over names and possible "pseudo-nicks," so perhaps parents should give a little more thought to what might evolve as a nickname before they make their final decision on the name of record.

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SAFETY TIPS

By Robert Laughlin
Safety Officer
Town Of Southwick

Fingerprinting In Southwick

Southwick: Due to nationwide increase of runaway, missing and kidnapped children, the Southwick Police Department has initiated a program which we hope will assist all of us in the final resolution of these types of situations.

The key to the success of the program is a permanent record of fingerprints and/or photograph of our children to be maintained either at the Southwick Police Department or in a safe place within the home. This fingerprinting of children will take place on Monday, May 23rd beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Woodland School.

For all parents or legal guardians, the following guidelines have been established by the police department:

1. The child must be a resident of the Town of Southwick.
2. The child should be between 1 and 15 years of age.
3. Fingerprints will be taken by Safety Officer Robert McLaughlin and Crime Prevention Officer Robert Grimaldi of the Southwick Police Department. Optional: Space will be available for parents to provide a photograph.
4. The Police Department assures the public that confidential integrity will be maintained at all times regarding the information on file. The file will be located away from any form of criminal records.
5. Parents, guardians, or the person identified may remove his/her material at any time (the child must be of legal age) or request that the material be disposed of by the Police Department.

Any questions about the program should be directed to Officer Robert Laughlin or Officer Robert Grimaldi, Southwick Police Department.

Suffield High Spring Concert

The annual Suffield High School spring concert to be held on Tuesday, May 24th at 7:30 p.m. in the Suffield High School auditorium will be conducted by Mr. Raymond Tanguay, Director of Music, who will retire from the Suffield School System this June, 1983.

Proceeds from the reception will go towards establishing the Raymond H. Tanguay Award to be presented to a deserving senior entering the field of music education.

Tickets for this concert and reception can be ordered by calling Suffield High School at 668-7328. Donation is \$5.00.

The public is invited to come to renew old friendships and to be a part of a tribute to this most dedicated music educator.

Southwick Senior Menu

Monday, May 23: Hot dogs, vegetarian baked beans, apple juice, hot dog roll, cherry tart, milk.

Tuesday, May 24: Turkey vegetable stew, pickled beets, biscuit with margarine, pineapple chunks, milk.

Wednesday, May 25: Sloppy Joes, summer squash, potato rounds, hamburger roll, sliced peaches, milk.

Thursday, May 26: Macaroni & cheese, broccoli, tomato juice, rye bread with margarine, stewed prunes, milk.

Friday, May 27: Roast chicken, cranberry sauce, scalloped potatoes, cole slaw, wheat bread with margarine, banana, milk.

Firesafe Ideas

By The Suffield
Firemen's Assn., Inc.



Home Vacation Safety

The vacation season is nearing - remember these home safety hints while planning for your vacation:

1. Check to make sure that all stoves and electrical appliances have been turned off or disconnected.
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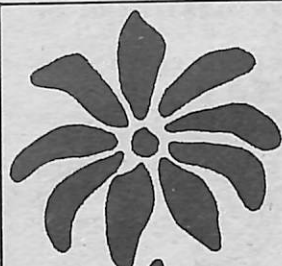
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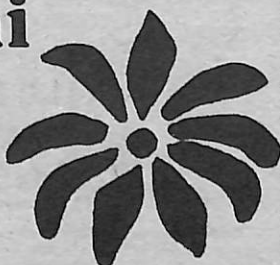
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SCHOOL NEWS



SOUTHWICK SENIORS BRUCE LAMBERT & MIKE MOLTA pose at the 18th Annual Industrial Arts and Home Economics Fair last Wednesday with some of the fine, crafted wood products made by fellow students. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

William Coward Is Accepted At Medical School

Milton Birnbaum, dean of the School of Arts & Sciences at American International College, announced recently that five students have been accepted at professional and graduate schools.

Among them was William Coward, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Coward, 13 Congamond Road, Southwick. He is a 1982 graduate of AIC in Bio-Chemistry and has been accepted at Osteopath Medical School, Maine.

Swk. I.A./Home Ec. Fair Successful Again

By Marsha Ramah

Southwick: For the 18th year in a row, Southwick High students displayed a year's worth of hard work and creativity in the annual Industrial Arts and Home Economics Fair held this week. Crowds jammed the high school cafeteria to view everything from machine tools to stuffed animals, furniture to complete outfits, decorative metal work to delicious-looking apple pies, and original books to printed paper.

Exhibits ranged in size from very large water beds with shelves and mirrors, to small and delicious chocolate chip cookies. The variety of items on display was as impressive as the items themselves. Each category was judged by a person qualified in that area and prizes were given to the first three places.

Best Of Show

A special award of a beautiful silver bowl was presented to one student in the industrial arts category and one in the home economics category. This award is determined each year by the teachers involved in these classes. This year's "Best of Show" award went to Glenn Keiderling for his screen-printed, tiffany-style lamp. The beautiful creation featured a large, leaded-glass shade with colorful "geisha" girls on each panel. The final effect was a lovely oriental design which was impressive as well as unique.

The "Best of Show" award in home economics went to Debbie Gore for her colorful and complex quilt. The intricate star pattern design illustrated the many hours of work and planning which went into the project. Debbie also modeled clothes she had made, while the little girl that she babysits, Laurie Massoni, stole the show in a purple bikini and sun hat, also made by Debbie.

Mrs. Vivian Clark, a town resident and mother of two daughters who attend the other schools in town, came

to see the fair. An accomplished seamstress herself, Mrs. Clark was very impressed with work done by the students. "It's hard to believe that there are high school students doing this kind of work. Everything is fantastic and shows so much creativity and imagination." Her daughters Colleen and Cindy Clark, loved looking at all the exhibits.

Great Sense Of Accomplishment

The students involved in this show come away with a great sense of accomplishment. The pride radiates from the faces of each student compared only with that on the faces of families and friends.

One proud family were the Eastmans. Mr. and Mrs. Eastman came to view their son Jeff's in-laid coffee table. Jeff, a senior at Southwick High, did an admirable job. Mr. Eastman, who is a carpenter himself, was impressed with the whole show and commented on the wonderful job that all the students did.

Mrs. Jean Walsh, floral designer at Southwick Florists, was one of the judges in the flower arranging. "These students have done a really great job in all areas. They have a lot of talent," she stated. Judging for the first time, Mrs. Walsh really loved the opportunity. Teachers gave her a list of things to look for and the rest was based on her own eye for beauty. Judges as well as visitors marveled at the all-around talent and finished products created by the local students.

The hard work and forethought which go into this annual event make it successful. Year after year, it brings together teachers and students who provide a professional showing to community friends and neighbors and an excellent showcase for the quality of teaching offered at Southwick High School.

Special Olympics Training Funded By United Technologies

For the first time in the history of "Special Olympics," a corporation will fully fund a statewide training program to train all volunteers working year-round to help retarded children and adults. This training program, fully funded by United Technologies Corporation, was outlined at a press conference hosted by Governor William A. O'Neill and his wife, Nikki, on Tuesday, May 3 at 11:30 a.m. in the Governor's office.

It is the fourth consecutive year United Technologies has provided a \$50,000 grant to the Connecticut Summer Special Olympics program. The company will spend an additional \$10,000 for promotional support of the summer games. This year, however, \$30,000 of the total grant will fully fund a year-round special olympics training program for all Connecticut Special

Olympics volunteers.

United Technologies also contributes the largest single volunteer corps to the State Games program, and this year the company anticipates over 1,500 employee-volunteers.

During the press conference, the Governor presented an official statement, declaring June 3, 4, and 5 "Special Olympics weekend" in Connecticut. Don Wise and Summer Games Chairman Jack Jaekle accepted the statement.

The free activities will open Friday, June 3 at 7:00 p.m. with a parade. Saturday and Sunday will be devoted to athletic clinics and sports competitions ranging from track and field to swimming and frisbee throwing.

Department install the ram to the basement area to further cut expenses from their \$10,000.

Redfern further told the board that, due to recent heavy rains, the building had flooded and sustained considerable weather damage. He said he did most of the clean-up work with little help from the town. He noted that the Point Grove Road center also flooded, the roof was leaking and it is a fire hazard electrically.

Officials decided that a three-member committee of seniors would be formed to work with town officials to rewrite the specifications for the facilities to submit proper requests for bids.

In closing remarks, one senior citizen voiced the opinions of the group, suggesting she would erect a large tent with a sign reading, "This is the home of Southwick's senior citizens."

She added, "It is very humiliating being treated like a left-over bum. We have lived here all our lives, pay taxes, and do what is right for the town. Now we are old and we get nothing."

Seniors, Cont. From Page 4

They felt the study committee and selectmen had no right to assign space without consulting them for their preferences.

The seniors further suggested that if fourth grade wing is not leased out, they'd be offered that area. They noted that use of the ground floor would eliminate the need to install a ramp, thus saving \$7,000. The cost of installing lavatory facilities would also be lower.

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Tuesday, May 24: Pepperoni cheese pizza, Popeye salad/dressing, chilled peaches, milk.

Wednesday, May 25: Oven baked chicken, cream gravy, whipped potatoes, cranberry sauce, buttered green beans, bread, butter or peanut butter, cake/icing, milk.

Thursday, May 26: Chilled juice, meatball grinders/sauce and peppers, cheese fingers, shredded cheese, vegetable stix, applesauce cookie, milk.

Friday, May 27: Chilled cranapple juice, hot ham and cheese on seeded roll, vegetable stix, corn chips, wonderbars, milk.

Notice: Menu is subject to change without notice. Skim milk is available daily at all schools.

Woodland School

Monday, May 23: Hamburger on roll, relish, catsup, french fries, chilled fruit, milk.

Tuesday, May 24: Chilled cranapple juice, peanut butter-jelly sandwich, vegetable stix, cheese fingers, gingerbread/topping, milk.

Wednesday, May 25: Hamburger gravy on bread, buttered corn, bread and butter, fruit cup, milk.

Thursday, May 26: Chilled juice, tuna salad sandwich on wheat-white bread, vegetable stix, cheese fingers, cake/icing, milk.

Friday, May 27: Pepperoni-cheese pizza, Popeye salad/dressing, wonderbars, milk.

Notice: Menu is subject to change without notice.

Suffield High School Schedules Art Show

Suffield: The Suffield High School Art Show will be held in the high school hall near the auditorium from May 24th through the 27th. Hours are 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. daily. Visitors are welcome to view the students' art work completed this school year.

SUFFIELD SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Monday, May 23: Chicken salad in pita pockets, cheese potatoes, pineapple chunks.

Tuesday, May 24: Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, hot Italian bread, fruit cup.

Wednesday, May 25: Roast turkey, gravy, mashed potato, peas, cranberry sauce, birthday cake.

Thursday, May 26: Tacos with cheese, lettuce and tomato cups, corn, ice cream.

Friday, May 27: Lemonade, frankfurt in roll, baked beans, applesauce.

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Mechanical Dog Talks Safety With Kids

By Lisa Pawelcik

Suffield: "Remember kids, just running away from a stranger is never enough. You must run to safety, like to our good friend here, Officer Winter." This was one of the messages "Canine," the talking dog, brought with him Thursday, May 12th, as he addressed students of Suffield's Bridge Street and Spaulding Schools.

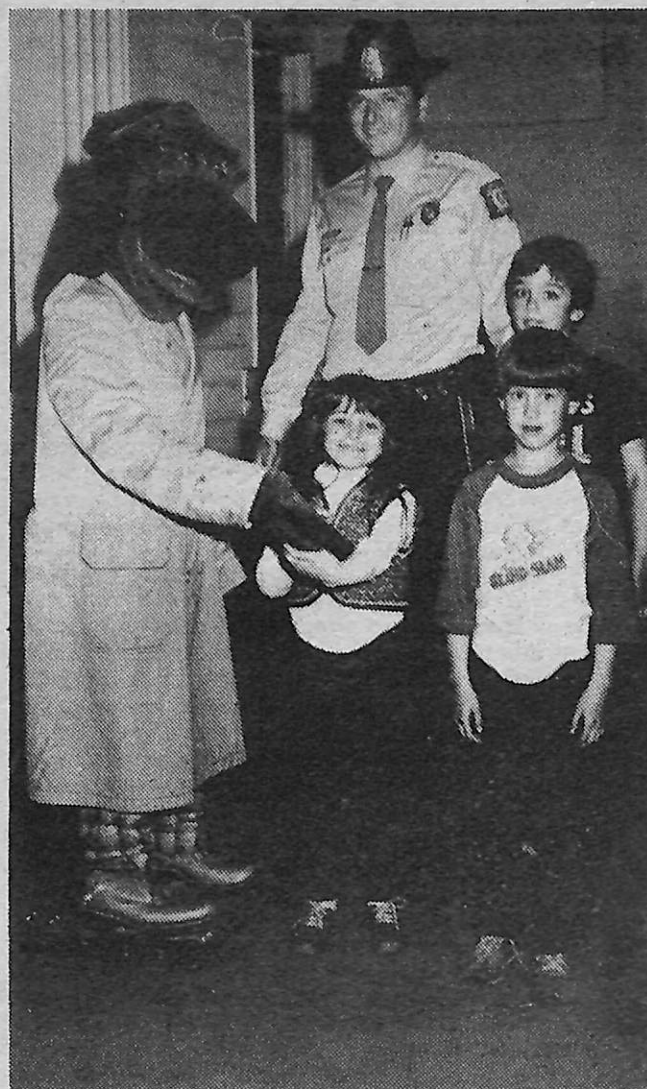
"Canine," complete with hat, trench coat and suitcase, is the counterpart of "K-24," the talking robot who visited Suffield in March. Both characters are part of the Officer Phil Safety Program conducted by the Suffield Police Department in conjunction with Creative Safety Products.

The educational program strives to reinforce good safety habits which concern riding bicycles, conduct on the school bus, and what to do during a fire drill at home or at school. These safety habits were first introduced by "K-24" during the first session of the Officer Phil Program and were, in turn, reinforced by last week's visit from Canine, the talking dog.

During Canine's visit, the students exchanged ideas about safe places to ride bicycles and where to run if approached by a stranger. It was apparent from the answers the children offered that much information was retained from the first session of Officer Phil, and Canine enthusiastically praised them for being "the smartest kids in Connecticut."

Along with emphasizing good safety tips, the program, according to Officer David Winter, "is designed to promote respect for authority and a positive image of a police officer during a child's formative years."

As with the first session held in March, the Officer Phil Safety Program is a highly valuable program which owes its success to the combined efforts of Officer David Winter, Creative Safety Products, and the numerous local businesses which gave their support.



"Canine," the Suffield Police Department's mechanical talking dog, visited local schools last Thursday reinforcing safety messages left by "K-24," the talking robot who spoke to the schoolchildren in March. Above, Spaulding school students Tanya Pinkham, Heidi Sheldon, Todd Phelon, and Chris Provencher greet Canine as Officer David Winter looks on. Photo by John Loftus.

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Suffield: Nearly forty juniors took advantage of the National College Fair in Hartford last week. Students like Chris Bulat and Loreen DeChesser came away with loads of material, a few leads, and some ideas about potential college programs. All in all, those making use of the fair were rewarded for their time and energy.

Senior portraits for the Class of '84, volunteer sitters for the May 25th town meeting, Hartford College Fair, rehearsals for the May 20th Madrigal Dinner, class elections, mid-term warnings, end of the year planning and placement team meetings, final schedules for 1983-84, and Vo-Ag orientations are just some of the many activities of late at the high school, not to mention the usual high degree of student involvement in the athletic programs!

The guidance office just received a report on the results of the 1982 administration of the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (P.S.A.T.). Once again, our student averages of 43.8 verbal and 48.6 math were above the national averages of 41.1 and 44.7; the New England averages of 41.9 and 44.8; and Connecticut averages of 42.3 and 45.0.

Students aged 14 and up interested in summer work should sign up with Mr. Gregor, our Work Experience Coordinator. He is making plans to arrange for applications to be made at the Job Services office in Enfield.

Congratulations to Kathy Leahan, who broke the school record in the 440 meter run.

Congratulations to the latest additions to our college acceptances list: Russ Fricke - University of Richmond; Greg Stagg - Syracuse; Mark Kuchachik - Westfield State; Laurie Martin - University of Vermont; Jim Quinn - University of Hartford; and Mark Burton - Lehigh.

Dates to Remember: May 24 - 10:30 - Hartford Technical Institute; May 25 - 8:00 - Town Meeting, Suffield High School.



LEADING SUFFIELD STUDENTS Audra Philippon and Michele Nath on a tour of Union Carbide's facility in Suffield is Plant Manager Ron Mgrdichian. These two young women won full paid scholarships to the Washington Workshops Congressional Seminars, gifts from Union Carbide.

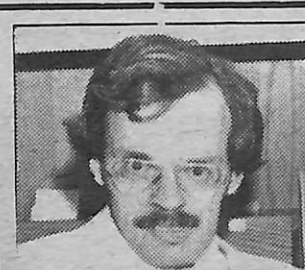
Suffield Students Tour Union Carbide Facility

Suffield: Suffield High student Audra Philippon and Suffield Academy student Michele Nath recently took an overview of Union Carbide's Linde Division Facility in Suffield. During a plant tour with acting plant manager Ron Mgrdichian, the local students were made aware of the production and distribution aspects of liquid oxygen and liquid nitrogen.

Audra and Michele were the 1983 recipients of a full paid scholarship to attend the Washington Workshops

Congressional Seminar held in Washington, D.C. May 1st to 7th. This scholarship is a gift from the Union Carbide Corporation, Linde Division Plant in Suffield and was given in cooperation with the Suffield Rotary Club.

Audra is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Philippon, 69 North Stone Street, West Suffield, and Michele is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Alan Nath, 1375 North Stone Street, West Suffield.



The Library Link

By Eugene Biggio

We've all done it. We had the article in our hand, were carefully filing the information in our mental storehouse only to find when the need arises that we've lost the key and so must resort to tracking down the original source. This can take a long time.

Locating newspaper and magazines can seem an impossible task, but the library can make it much easier. The first step, of course, is trying to identify the source. Where memory fails, the indexes available in the reference area can come to the rescue. *Reader's Guide To Periodical Literature*, indexes virtually all the magazines the library receives as well as many more. *The New York Times* and *National Geographic* have their own indexes and combined they should be able to ferret out most magazine and *New York Times* articles. Area daily newspapers (e.g. *The Hartford Courant*, *Springfield Daily News*, etc.) are more difficult to access, but the library can do searching through the Connecticut State Library and other avenues.

Once you've ascertained where the article was printed, the library will either be able to produce the appropriate publication from its holdings, loan it through the interlibrary service, or refer you to a holding library. *The Connecticut Union List of Serials* is available on microfiche in the reference area, and it shows the magazine and newspaper holding in libraries throughout the state.

The Kent Memorial Library generally keeps magazines for 3-5 years with longer runs for heavily used publications. There is no storage room for newspapers, with the exception of the Southwick Suffield Advertiser/News, of which the library has a complete set. Back issues of magazines are available for a two-week loan.

One final note about serials. The reference area has two publications which help patrons find addresses and subscriptions of magazines and newspapers in the U.S. and the world. *Ayer's Directory of Publications* and *Ulrich's International Directory of Serials*, are excellent sources in trying to track down those elusive journals

NEW BOOKS

Interesting and bound to be popular is the just-received *Truman Capote*, the story of the celebrated author written by the aunt who helped raise him.

Hollywood hairsylist Jose Eber's new book, *Shake Your Head, Darling*, is a breezy, informal how-to for those in search of The Look.

New on the fiction shelf are *The Gallows Land*, a Bill Pronzini western, and two sci-fi thrillers, *Against Infinity*, by George Benford and *Chrysalis 10*, a collection of new science fiction stories.



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Track & Field Gals Enjoy Exciting Month

By Bob Hrycay

A group of young ladies proudly wearing their laurel wreathes for Southwick High's girls' track and field team have enjoyed an exciting month of May on the cinder.

After a narrow loss to Agawam on May 3, the Rams won three of their next five meets, the latest win coming over Commerce on May 13th. They gals have also thrashed Classical and South Hadley.

In losses to Holyoke and Chicopee, the locals were nosed-out of the winner's circle by eight points or less.

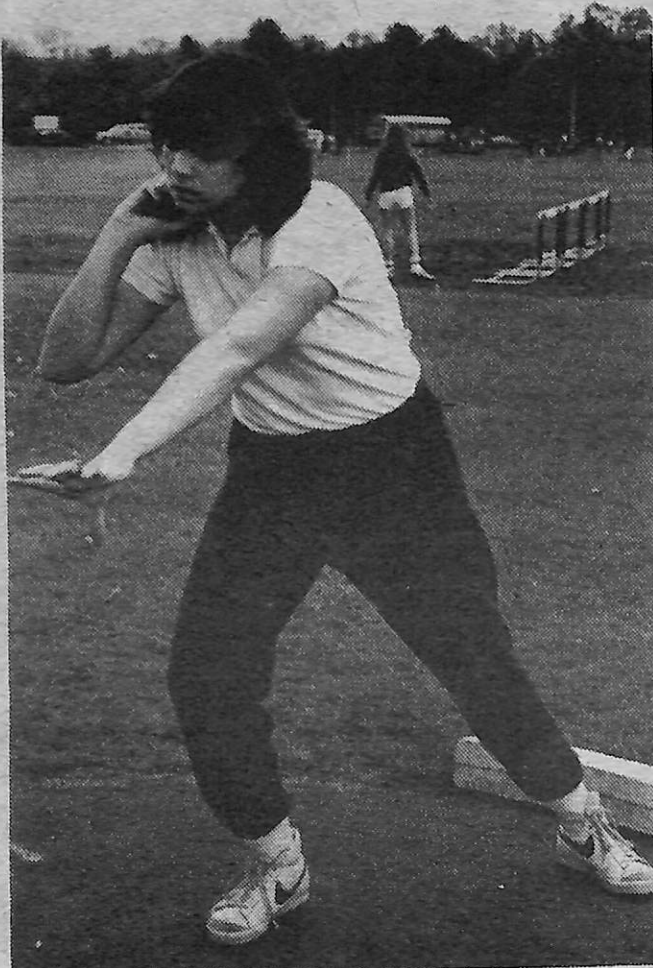
Much of the credit for the Rams' renaissance belongs to first-year Coach Dana White, who remarked before this weekend's league individuals, "The girls are sky high and it's great to see. All of their times are constantly improving."

Coming into their own are such youngsters as Sue Dold, Mariella Pettus and Kelley Shannon, who, along with senior Carol Deedy, have been the sparkplugs of the mile relay team.

Dold (440), Pettus (880), and Shannon (shotput) will be joined by other rising stars such as Betsy Deedy (220), Lisa Erhardt (javelin), Amy Breton (two-mile), Cheryl Dubreuil (100, long jump), Lisa Grandfield (javelin), Carol Girard (shotput and discus), and hurdlers Pat Connors and Karen Seibert in this weekend's (presstime, May 21st) league individuals at Springfield College.

White credits seniors Kathy Bregoli, Vicki Towle and Deedy with providing leadership for his young squad. Deedy has qualified for the May 30th Western Mass. tourney, while Bregoli appears on the verge of making it in the discus.

The Ram upstarts took a 3-4 record into this past Friday's meet at Palmer, and then finish the regular season at home against Hampshire.



SOUTHWICK SENIOR Kathy Bregoli, a key veteran on the Rams' youth-laden track team, has been a big reason for the girls' recent string of victories. Above, she demonstrates her touch at shotput in a recent practice. Photo by John Loftus.

Rams Nine Finally Breaks Loose, 16-4

By Bob Hrycay

Can a proper frame of mind turn dormant bats into balls of fire?

Southwick High baseball coach Jim Vincent seemed to think so after his club mauled Gateway, 16-4, last Tuesday in league action in Huntington.

"Our mental attitude has changed. We're thinking baseball rather than senioritis," he remarked after watching the Rams vault out of their batting slump with 13 hits.

The Rams have a 10-3 mark going into this past Friday's home game (presstime) with Smith Vocational and reside in second place in Division D.

Cleanup man Tom McLaughlin clubbed the Gators with the heaviest lumber, going 3-4 with 4 RBI's. The lanky first baseman stroked run scoring singles in the third and sixth frames.

Other hitting stars for the winners were shortstop Todd Typroicz (2-5, 1 RBI, 3 runs scored), Jim Bruno (2-3, 3 RBI's, 3 runs), and Eric Jackson (2-4, 2 RBI, 2 runs).

Given some support for the first time in three starts, lefty John Coward upped his record to 4-2. He allowed six hits, fanning nine and walking one.

In their other scheduled game of May 13th, the Rams were handed a forfeit win by Dean Voke. The basement dwelling Hawks, who were destroyed 13-1 earlier in the season by the locals, were unable to field enough players for the trip to Southwick.

Vincent's club has a big week ahead of them with Coward on the mound at third-place St. Mary's on Monday and Darryl Leveille to go when the Rams face frontrunner Hampshire Regional on Wednesday, May 25th.

Southwick Golfers Fall To 3-8 Mark

The Southwick High golf team saw its Division record fall to 3-8 with a 13-5 loss to Smith Academy.

the Edgewood Golf Course this past Thursday.

Number one Eric Shultz (1/2 point), number two Brian Smith (1.5) and number five Mike Allen (3) accounted for the Rams scoring. Schulz shot a 47 over nine holes, Smith a 43, and Allen a 50.

Smith, a junior, will represent the Rams at the Western Mass. Individuals to be held on Tuesday, May 31st in Greenfield. The Ram linkster has scored a trio of 39's this spring.

Dave MacKiver's crew will close out the season by hosting Easthampton on Monday, May 23rd and Monson and Palmer on Tuesday, May 24th.

'Hamp Hands Rams 6th Track Setback

By Bob Hrycay

The Southwick High boys' track and field team saw its Division B record drop to 5-5 with this past Thursday's 88-57 defeat to Northampton at Look Park.

Ken More, Brett Matossian, Andy Kilgore, Evan Anderson, and Brian Phillips were the Rams winners on the day.

In the field events, More captured the discus at 135.8 feet and Phillips took the triple jump at 38.1 feet. Sophomore Kilgore, who's been coming on of late despite of a back problem, took the 220 in 25.1 seconds. "He's a hope for the future," says Coach Dick Atkinson.

Because of a slight calf pull, Anderson was moved to the two-mile and came home with a respectable clocking of 10:01. Matossian, who's finished second nine times in the 440, defeated teammate Ron Ward with his winning time of 56.9. Ward's 57.7 was his best this spring in that event.

The only other Ram bright spot was Eric Cammissa's best javelin throw of the season at 143 feet, good for second place. The Blue Devils rode to victory behind Wayne Cooper's grand slam domination of the high jump, javelin and both hurdles.

In the slop and cold in Southwick last Monday, the Rams took 11 of 16 events to crush lowly South Hadley.

Cammissa, Phillips, and Kilgore paced their team with double wins. Cammissa took the javelin (132 feet) and 100 yard dash (11.5 seconds). Phillips won the 120 high hurdles (19.3) and triple jump (38.1 feet), while Kilgore captured the high jump (5.10 feet) and 330 low hurdles (45.1).

Other Rams riding the Tigers to the winners circle were More in the discus, Anderson in the mile, and Ward in the 880.

But to illustrate what an off-year it's been because of the bad, rainy weather, Anderson is one of only a handful of Rams who have qualified for the Western Mass. Division II tournament coming up on Saturday, May 28th at Springfield College.

Atkinson is hoping more of his men will join Anderson with strong performances in the regular season finale on Tuesday, May 24th and at the Division B Individuals.

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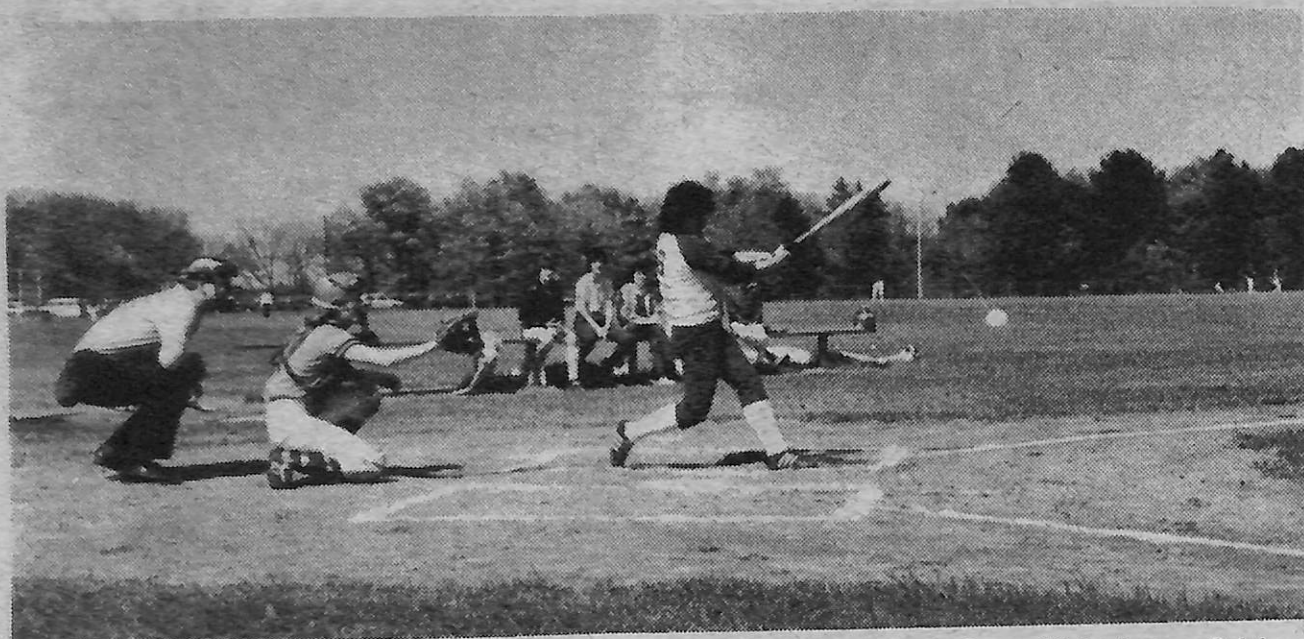
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SOPHOMORE CATCHER RENEE DUVAL, a .480 hitter, strokes a single in the Rams 16-4 win over Belchertown. Duval also stole a pair of bases. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

Make Or Break Time For Rams Softball

By Bob Hrycay

It's make it or break it time, says Mike Camerota. His Southwick High girls' softball team kept its tournament hopes alive with a sloppy 11-5 home win over Belchertown on Wednesday.

The victory over the Orioles put the Rams record at 9-5 before they travelled to Holyoke Catholic this past Friday. This week the girls face must-win situations when they host Gateway on Tuesday and Smith Academy on Thursday, May 26th.

A four-run first inning highlighted by Wendy Chase's two-run single got the Rams started on the right foot off Orioles hurler Patty Green.

Speed third sacker Maryann Marceno lit the fires by beating out an infield hit, stealing second, and scoring on Alison Hiers' bloop single to right.

The Orioles climbed back with single tallies in the second and third and deadlocked the game at 4-4 on Laura Gingras' run-producing single and a Ram miscue in a two-run frame.

Southwick took the lead again in the home half with a Karen Friss single. She reached third on a two-base error and scored on a wild pitch.

The Orioles fought back once more to tie it in the fifth, but the Rams iced the contest with two runs in the home half and four more in the sixth.

In the latter frame, pitcher Jamie York walked and advanced on a well-placed bunt single by Marceno. With two out, Duval, Cindy Lapan, and Chase cracked RBI hits.

The locals outslugged Belchertown, 11-3, and were paced by Chase (2-4, 3 RBI's), and two hits apiece by Duval, Marceno and Lapan. Bev Slate also had an RBI single for the winners.

The Rams committed two errors while the Orioles were charged with six miscues. The locals had enough defensively when they needed it. Duval was a stalwart behind the plate, picking off a runner at first and gunning down another Oriole trying to steal third.

Through the Oriole contest, the super sophomore was the Rams' leading hitter at a mighty .480, who has crashed six doubles, two triples, and three homers.

York held the losers hitless through three frames and fanned five.

Though pleased with the games turned in by Duval and Marceno, Camerota says his club will have to perform better in their remaining contests. "If we play like we did today (against Belchertown), we're in trouble," he warned.

For pure intensity, Camerota preferred his team's 6-4 loss to Division D frontrunner Easthampton in the Eagles nest last Tuesday, May 17th.

The Rams outthit the Eagles, 9-8, and got two hits apiece from Lapan, Marceno (including a triple), and Robin Schools.

Schools took the loss for the Rams, fanning one and walking three, and got a pat on the back from Camerota for a well-pitched game.

The Rams will need more of those in their remaining contests as their post-season hopes hang in the balance.

Suffield Linksters Clinch NCCC Title

By Mary Beth Prew

The Suffield High golf team clinched the NCCC championship this past week following a victorious match against the Ellington High golfers on Tuesday, May 17th. Suffield now rises to a 13-1 crescendo after four recent triumphs.

The most timely event occurred on Wednesday, May 18th when the locals drove South Windsor right off the golf course in a 9-4 victory.

Captain Russell Fricke was the medalist for the match by stroking a 77. Following in the number two position was Jeff Brackett. Brackett finished the front and back nine holes with a 43 for a combined total of 86. Unfortunately, his score was five strokes over his opponents.

Kurt Knoefel marked the third slot with a nifty 79. The team's fourth man, Ted Lyons, rapped an 81.

Rounding off the team is fifth-seeded John Kingman who shot an 85 for the winners. The aggregate score for this sunny afternoon was Suffield 323 - South Windsor 342.

Suffield's linksters were ecstatic about the victory as South Windsor ranks as the only squad to have defeated the locals in the past two years.

In an earlier competition against the Ellington club at the Cedar Knob Golf Course, the Wildcats swept the ranks in a 13-0 victory. The win clinched the NCCC championship for Suffield High. Russell Fricke led the charge with a fine 18-hole score of 74.

Number two man Jeff Brackett had an 88 while third rated Kurt Knoefel stroked an 84 and Ted Lyon an 88. Craig Fricke hit an 96 in the fifth slot.

Suffield's other two victories came against Glastonbury on May 12th as Fricke launched a 71 and an easy win over Tolland on May 11th. The Cats are hoping to qualify for the state tournament this year but first have several regular season matches remaining, including a Monday, May 23rd encounter against Farmington and a Thursday, May 26th outing with Ellington.

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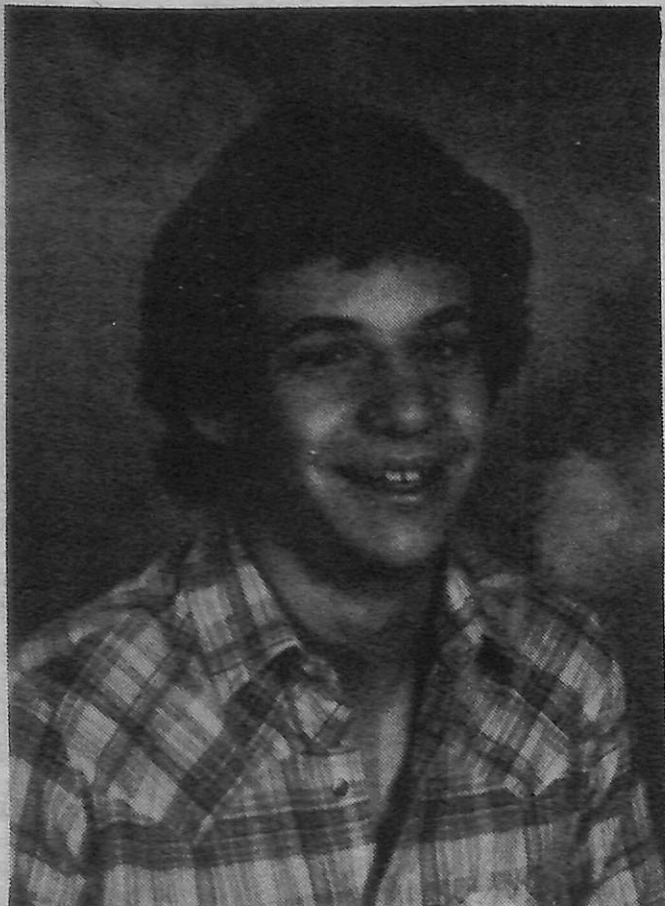
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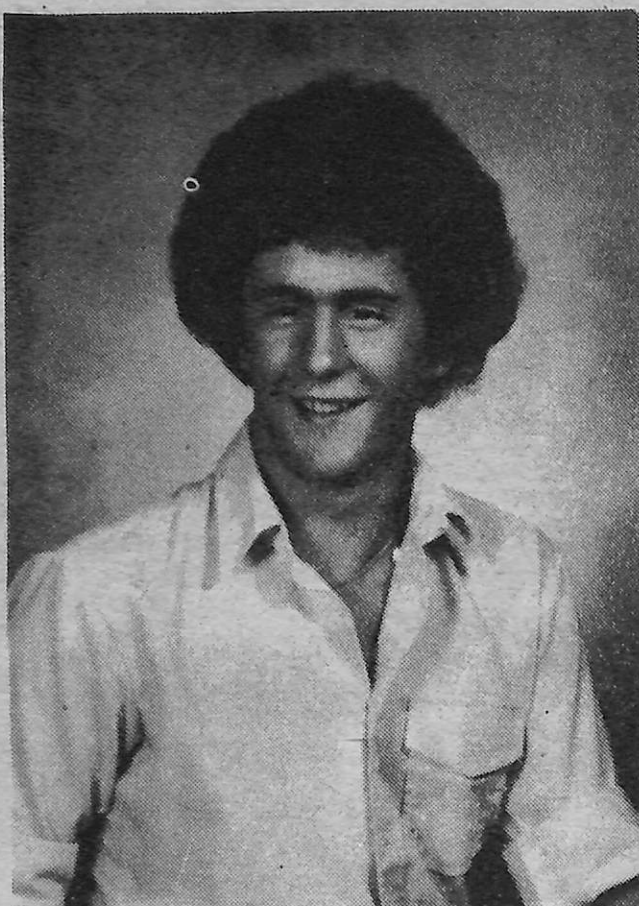
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SOUTHWICK RECREATION CENTER

By Mark Rankin

Hard-Working Volunteers

Danny Duval and Donny McClellan. Hardly household names in the circle of coaches at the Southwick Rec Center but nonetheless, these two young men are making grade as hardworking volunteers at the center.

Duval, a 1982 graduate of Southwick High and McClellan, a junior at the senior high this year, each made their coaching debuts in the Rec Center's boys/girls floor hockey league this past season. The results were more than impressive.

McClellan coached the entry called the Sabres and finished third during the regular season. This squad however, jelled under McClellan's direction in playoff competition and went on to win the Rec Center Cup, Southwick's version of the "Stanley Cup."

Duval directed the fortunes of the Whalers entry. This squad finished first during the regular season but were eliminated in the opening round of the playoffs by the upstart Bruins.

"The highlight of the season without a doubt was winning the Rec Center Cup," said McClellan. "Winning the cup was the culmination of a season of learning, hard work, and lots of fun."

Stressing aggressiveness, McClellan managed to receive a 110 percent effort from the top to the bottom of the Sabres' lineup.

"Everyone made a contribution and everyone had a good time," stated McClellan. "The kids learned something about working together for a common goal. Fun, sportsmanship and working as a unit were the points I tried to bring out in the kids."

Duval echoed McClellan's sentiments. "This year was a learning experience for me as a coach and for my players. Working together as a team is very important. No team in any sport can win consistently by counting on just one or two players."

Although Duval's Whalers ended their season sooner than expected, he remains proud of his troops. "The team finished first during the season. We had many first-year street hockey players who will be back next year."

Both Duval and McClellan are now applying their talents as coaches in the Rec Center's spring/summer baseball program in the 10-12 boys division. McClellan coaches the Expos while Duval directs the Orioles.

Donny McClellan's proud father, Dave, who serves as executive director of the Rec Center, said he was personally proud of both of these young men and encourages others to get involved with Southwick youth through the Rec Center.

"Young people are the life blood of Southwick. Both Donny and Dave has shown keen leadership abilities and I know the youngsters under them appreciate their talents."

Wildcat Netmen Lose Three More Matches

By Mary Beth Prew

The Suffield High Wildcats netmen have their racquets in motion, but unfortunately, the squad continues to lose. The locals have broken their strings and fallen three more behind in schoolboy tennis action.

On Wednesday, May 18th the boys arrived in South Windsor and were surprised to find two schoolgirl teams in competition. This was due to a misunderstanding between on the scheduling and the same site was named for both a girls and boys match for the same day.

This mix-up resulted in a late evening match held at South Windsor for both the boys and gals.

Carl Casinghino came out ahead in his first singles match, 6-1, 6-4.

Brother Brian Casinghino completed his match successfully, taking his second singles opponent, 6-1, 6-3.

David Dixon bowed to his opponent, 6-3, 6-0 in third singles activity. Chris Perry played fourth singles and was defeated, 6-0, 6-1.

In the first doubles competition, Carl Casinghino and Peter Munn pulled off a magnificent victory that took three grueling sets. Andy Das and Steven Galetta fell against South Windsor's second doubles tandem.

Eric Valdez and Peter Glynn took defeat in the third doubles position, 6-1, 6-3.

In earlier competition on Thursday, May 12th, the locals were dropped by the Windsor Locks Raiders, 5-2. Carl and Brian Casinghino each victored in singles play but third singles Tom Naughton and fourth singles Peter Mann each were thwarted by their Windsor Locks foes.

The first doubles was played on this day by Andy Das and David Dixon and they too, accepted defeat, 6-4, 6-4. Kent Daigle and Gene Barberi made an effort

at the second doubles position, but also lost, 6-0, 6-0. Seeded third on the doubles line-up were Peter Glynn and Eric Valdez and they slipped to a 6-0, 6-0 loss for Suffield.

Simsbury was the sight of another Wildcat setback on Tuesday, May 10th as only two locals won in the singles in a 5-2 Simsbury High win.

Suffield's next match will be at home on Tuesday, May 24th.

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Suffield High Girls Tennis Team



MEMBERS OF THE 1983 SUFFIELD HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TENNIS TEAM ARE, (standing, from left) Monica Llamas, Cindy Wills, Coach Cynni Finn, Mary Beth Prew, and Mary Currie. Second row - Dianne Lingenfelter, Teresa Coggins, Suzanne Lingenfelter. Sitting: Debbie Case and Kristin Chamberlain. Advertiser/News Photo By John Loftus.

Wildcats 4-10 Overall

By Amanda Hastings

Suffield: Suffield High's varsity baseball team, under Coach Paul Thomas, puts two more victories under its belt in defeating Granby and Ellington during NCCC action this week.

In their May 12th game against the Granby Bears, Suffield waited until the last minute to pull out their 9-8 victory.

Granby led 6-0 going into the bottom of the fifth when the Wildcats exploded with eight runs. Dave Sullivan doubled to lead off the inning, followed by Greg Stagg, who singled and advanced to second on an error by the center fielder as Sullivan scored. Jim Danise and Dan Sheridan had back-to-back doubles, the latter's scored both Stagg and Danise. Rick Lindau also doubled to bring home Sheridan. Jeff Alers and Pete Winiarski walked and, with the bases loaded, Rich Dilko reached first and then second on an error, while Lindau and Alers scored. With runners on second and third, Sullivan, up for the second time in the inning, singled to bring home Winiarski and Dilko.

With the score at 8-6 going into the sixth, Granby's Frank Sarr doubled and came home on a single by Rick Orluk and, with two outs and a man on first, Mike Gracey doubled, scoring Orluk.

Finally, in the bottom of the seventh, with the score tied at 8-8, Bob Butler singled, followed by Stagg and Danise, who walked. With the bases loaded and Sheridan at bat, Suffield attempted the suicide squeeze. Granby relief pitcher, Dave Burnham, delivered a wild pitch over the catcher's head and Butler scored to win the game 9-8.

Following this heartening victory, Suffield faced Tolland on May 14th in a double header and lost both games, each by a score of 5-2. These losses dampened their spirits and took them out of the tournament.

Suffield jumped out to an easy lead as Sullivan reached on a fielder's choice, while Stagg and Danise walked. Sheridan reached on an error, which scored Sullivan and Stagg, making it 2-0 for Suffield.

However, Suffield didn't hold their lead for long as Tolland scored five runs in the fifth. John Cryer walked, followed by pitcher Tad Goetcheus, who reached on an error, which sent Cryer to third. Gary Elliot walked, loading the bases, while a passed ball scored Cryer and walked Jerry Bernier, to keep the bases loaded.

At this point, Alers was relieved by Danise, but to no avail, as Dave Bernardi and Gary Krechko each singled and combined for four RBI's as the Eagles won the contest 5-2.

In the second game, Tolland stepped out in front early and never relinquished their lead, although Suffield came close a number of times. In the bottom of the fifth, with Tolland leading 3-0, Suffield pitcher Wayne Lancioni walked and Dave Cardona singled, both scoring on a double from Steve Gorman. However, the score remained at 3-2 until the seventh, when the Wildcats were unable to hold the Eagles who scored 2 runs on three hits, making the final score 5-2.

On May 17th Suffield stunned the Ellington Knights 5-0. With two outs in the top of the fifth, Winiarski walked, Butler singled, and both came home on RBI singles from Dilko and Stagg.

Later on in the sixth, Sullivan and Lindau reached on a walk and a single, while both advanced on an error. Cardona walked to load the bases and Sullivan and Lindau scored on consecutive passed balls. Finally, Lancioni singled to bring in Cardona and that was all she wrote.

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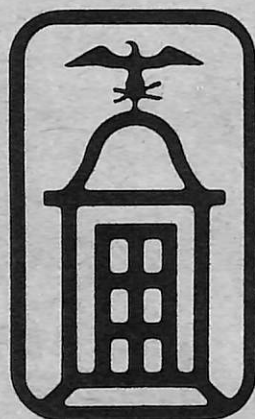
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